

COUNTRY	East Germany	REPORT	
TOPIC	1. Litten-Neupurschwitz Airfield 2. Husaren Kaserne in Bautzen		25X1
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1. On 3, 4, and 12 December 1952, 13 single-engine trainers [redacted] at the Litten-Neupurschwitz airfield which was used by the VPL. Apparently, flight and ground personnel were quartered in the low wooden buildings at the field. The flight control station was a low wooden building with a 3-meter-high superstructure. 25X1
2. In early December, grading work was in progress on a strip about 3 km long. Dozers and concrete mixers were observed there. [redacted] the field was to be improved as a fighter airfield. 25X1
 The roads leading from Neupurschwitz to Purschwitz and to Litten were blocked. Bricks were transported to the field. 25X1
3. Tank truck [redacted] and truck [redacted] were observed entering and leaving the field. 25X1
4. In mid-December, low wooden buildings were under construction at the field. One of them, located near kilometer marker 3.4 was completed by late December. Another small wooden hangar was being constructed in line with kilometer marker 3.8. After its completion, there was a small hangar on either side of the flight control station. In late December, both hangars had not yet been provided with roofs. At the same time, the transformer building was completed but not yet installed. During the second half of December, a storage shed was under construction about 180 meters north of the Nadelwitz-Wurschen road near kilometer marker 5.05. On the same line, about 270 meters south of the road, there was a coal shed. The narrow-gauge field railway tracks were extended toward the northeast, parallel to the Neupurschwitz-Wurschen road as far as a point in line with kilometer marker 6.0. Grading work had progressed as far as this area by late December. Two large cranes arrived on 11 December and a large mobile grader arrived on 14 December.¹
5. On 16 December, VP trucks [redacted] were observed at the field. Ambulance [redacted] and sedan [redacted] entered and left the Husaren Kaserne. Motor vehicles parked near the Husaren Kaserne included trucks [redacted] and sedans [redacted] 25X1
6. The following observations were made at the field between 13 December and 5 January:

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13 December. Between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., there was no air activity at the field. Thirteen canvas-covered trainers were parked on the dispersal areas. A radio truck with an antenna was observed on the northern edge of the field and a command car was in the southwestern section of the landing field. Three men were near the radio truck and five men near the command car. The radio truck was a truck with a van-like superstructure. During air activity, two antennas were fitted on the ground by Soviet soldiers. The command car was a heavy trailer with a superstructure with two small windows at one end and a ladder of about four rungs which led up to the superstructure. During air activity, the two vehicles were parked in the northeastern section of the field.

17 to 19 December. During the morning, [] air activity from a large distance. Previously, the planes remained aloft for about 10 minutes; now, they were in the air for longer periods.

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21 December to 5 January. In the morning, no air activity was observed. The canvas-covered planes were parked at the dispersal area.²

7. In mid-December, three low wooden buildings, except for their inside fittings, were completed west of the flight control station. An adjacent fourth temporary building was under construction. A large shed was being erected in the extension of the row of temporary buildings, and next to this shed there was a brick building which was 8 meters square.¹

8. The field was guarded by VP sentries who wore blue collar patches and were armed with carbines. One sentry was posted at the southwestern entrance to the field and two sentries were on the Neupurschwitz-Purschwitz road.

9. Trucks [] and tank truck [] were observed entering and leaving the field.

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1. [] Comment. Litten-Neupurschwitz airfield near Bautzen is occupied by the 3rd Regt of the 1st VPL Div. This regiment is equipped with 13 Yak-18 planes. It appears that construction work at the field is being accelerated.

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2. [] Comment. According to available information, air activity at the field is controlled by voice-radio communication in Russian. The information that the planes remained longer aloft than previously indicates that the pilots have reached an advanced status of training.

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